

whole composition or purchase money has been paid, and such certificate has laid six months in the land office and no caveat has been entered thereto, the person having such certificate returned, his assignees, devisees or heirs, shall be entitled to a patent thereon; or if the certificate is released by adjudication, or by the operation of law, from the effect of the caveat, a patent shall issue thereon as if no caveat had been filed.

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P. G. L., (1860,) art. 54, sec. 32 1797, ch. 114, sec. 11.

**39.** Every caveat shall be heard and determined by the commissioner of the land office within twelve months from the entering of the same, unless he shall, under special circumstances, give further time to the parties.

*Ibid.* sec. 33. 1797, ch. 114, sec. 8.

**40.** The commissioner of the land office shall have full power, at his discretion, to award the costs to the party prevailing, on the decision of any caveat.